

MODIS SCIENCE DATA SUPPORT TEAM PRESENTATION

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ACTION ITEMS:

06/12/92 [LLOYD CARPENTER]. Due Date: 02/12/93. Implement Microsoft Project for managing and scheduling MODIS SDST activities, including Level-1A and -1B schedules, Level-2 shell schedule, sizing of computer resource requirements, and overview. (Preliminary results are included in the handout.) STATUS: Open.

12/22/92 [LLOYD CARPENTER]. Due Date: 03/01/93. Survey the MODIS science team members to determine computer storage and processing requirements for Level-2 processing. (A preliminary list of questions for team members is included in the handout.) STATUS Open.

01/22/93 [AL FLEIG]. Due Date: 2/15/93. Write a memo to the project to change the MODIS duty cycle to 50% daytime, 50% nighttime. (The memo has been written. Lloyd Carpenter call Bill Barnes about a copy of a view graph showing the impact. (Bill Barnes is on travel until Monday, February 8, 1993.)) STATUS: Open.

1/22/93 [CARL SOLOMON]. Due Date: 2/12/93. Develop configuration management concepts suitable for application for MODIS Level-1 (etc.) software development; prepare alternatives and "cost/benefit" analyses. STATUS: Open.

1/22/93 [JIM STOREY]. Due Date: 2/22/93. Meet with EDOS, AM platform, and other groups; develop "cost/benefit" analyses; and provide recommendations for treatment of platform ancillary data (e.g., position, attitude). For example, do we incorporate position/attitude data into the Level-1A product or assign a pointer to it? Do we recommend that platform ancillary data be included in the MODIS instrument Level-0 data stream? STATUS Open.

1/22/93 [LLOYD CARPENTER/TOM GOFF]. Develop SDST-final draft of Level-1 requirements/assumptions. Due Date: (Initial draft due 2/15/93; iterate until 2/26/93; mail draft to MODIS, EOSDIS, and other parties for review by 3/1/93). STATUS: Open.

1/22/93 [PAUL HUBANKS/CARROLL HOOD]. Due Date: 2/19/93. Develop concepts for improving completeness of MAS metadata (anticipate the questions scientists might ask prior to ordering the data; e.g., identify clouds, snow/ice, etc.). STATUS: Open.

1/29/93 [ED MASUOKA]. Due Date: 2/12/93. Ask John Dalton how he wants to measure/specify processing requirements. STATUS: Open

MODIS Airborne Simulator (MAS) Status

Liam E. Gumley

Progress up to 4 February 1993

(1) MODIS Airborne Simulator Level-1B Data User's Guide

Work on this document is continuing. Sections include the following:

Introduction

Terms

MAS Specifications

MAS Spectral Bands

Calibration

 Visible/Near-Infrared

 Infrared

Geolocation

NetCDF format

 Description of NetCDF

 How to get NetCDF software

Level-1B tape format

Level-1B data structure

 Example NetCDF file header

 Explanation of contents of each variable

How to obtain Level-1B data

How to obtain quicklook and flight summary data

How to extract information from Level-1B NetCDF files

 Example source code

References

MAS Processing Status

Paul A. Hubanks

Progress through 04 February 1993

I have begun processing MAS flight data for 17 June 1992 on the LTP INDIGO. I have also provided some feedback to Liam on MAS Data Processing User's Guide. I will keep a log of suggested corrections and updates to this guide. Liam will update this document upon his return in March.

Liam relayed to me that the current calibration coefficients for ASTEX are not final. It is expected that Tom Arnold (VIS/NIR calibration) will have final ASTEX calibration coefficients later this month. Final reprocessing of ASTEX data will be delayed until that time. The processing of the 17 June 1992 flight will continue in order to gain familiarity with the software and procedures.

There is a potential problem in the navigation software for the upcoming TOGA-COARE experiment. The proximity of the Fiji Islands to 180 degrees longitude, causes some concern about flights traversing that meridian. If this occurs, there will be a discontinuity in longitudes from -179.9 to +180.0 (flying west to east). A software modification would be necessary to handle this situation.

Another possible area to improve the MAS software is in the critical straight-line flight track selection. Currently this is done through an iterative, interactive process using GNUPLOT and listing portions of the navigation file. Since start and end times are desired to the nearest hundredth of an hour and there are typically 10 to 15 straight-line tracks per flight, this process can be tedious and time-consuming. An automated procedure could be developed to list out "suggested" start and end times. It should be noted that due to the experimental nature of the MAS any "blind" use of an automated flight-track selection process would be foolhardy (since bad data points and data "dropouts" do occur). Output from an automated procedure could still be manually checked but with considerable savings in time and effort in locating detailed start and end times.

I spoke with Liam about a list of scientists who are likely to suggest potential enhancements to MAS Metadata. The list is : Michael King, Paul Menzel, Chris Justice, Yoram Kaufman (and Bocai Gao), and Jim Coakley. I plan on contacting these scientists for their input on MAS Metadata enhancement, Monday. I am also reviewing an MAS enhancement plan suggested by Carroll Hood, and one written by Liam Gumley in February 1992.

MODIS Level-2 Processing Shell Design and Development

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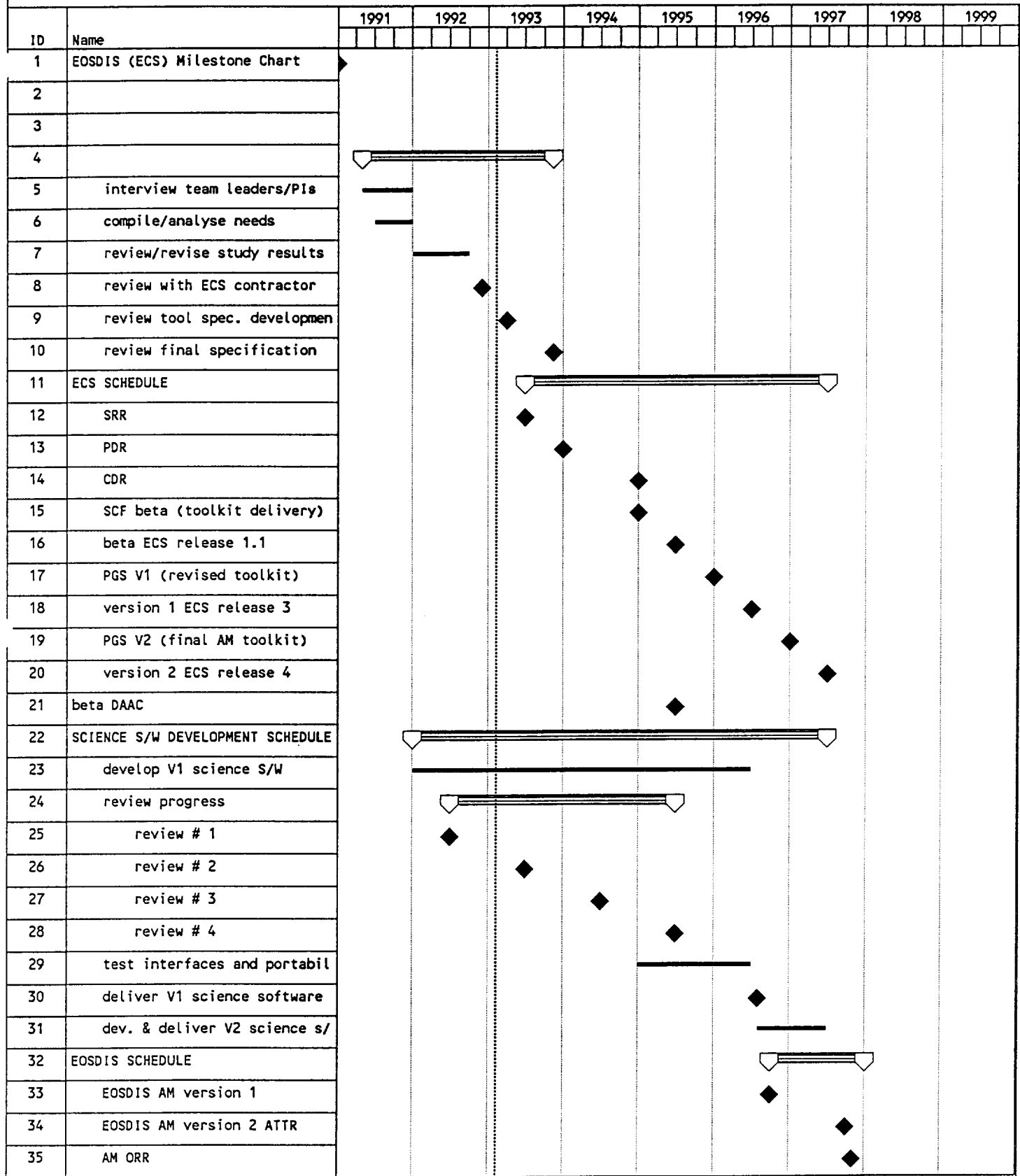
1. Computer Storage and Processing Requirements for Level-2 Processing

In order to estimate the data storage and processing requirements for Level-2 processing, Lloyd, Ruiming, and I are working together to design a survey table that will be used to estimate these requirements. In the meantime, through Ruiming's efforts, we have received two prototype codes from Dr. Strahler's group. Both of them are written in C. Liam Gumley also provided a copy of the Fortran code used for MAS data processing in Dr. King's group. Our current goals are to get familiar with the team members coding style, learn how to extract the information we need for storage and processing requirements, and explore any potential problems that could happen in the algorithms integration. PR:QA C and QA FORTRAN tools can provide some functions we need for this task. We expect to use the PR:QA tools to speed up our work.

2. Algorithm Dependency Diagram

We have received a response from Dr. Tanre. However, we are still waiting for the corrections from several key team members. I am preparing the new diagram (Ver. 6.0) in which the products number will be replaced by the products name.

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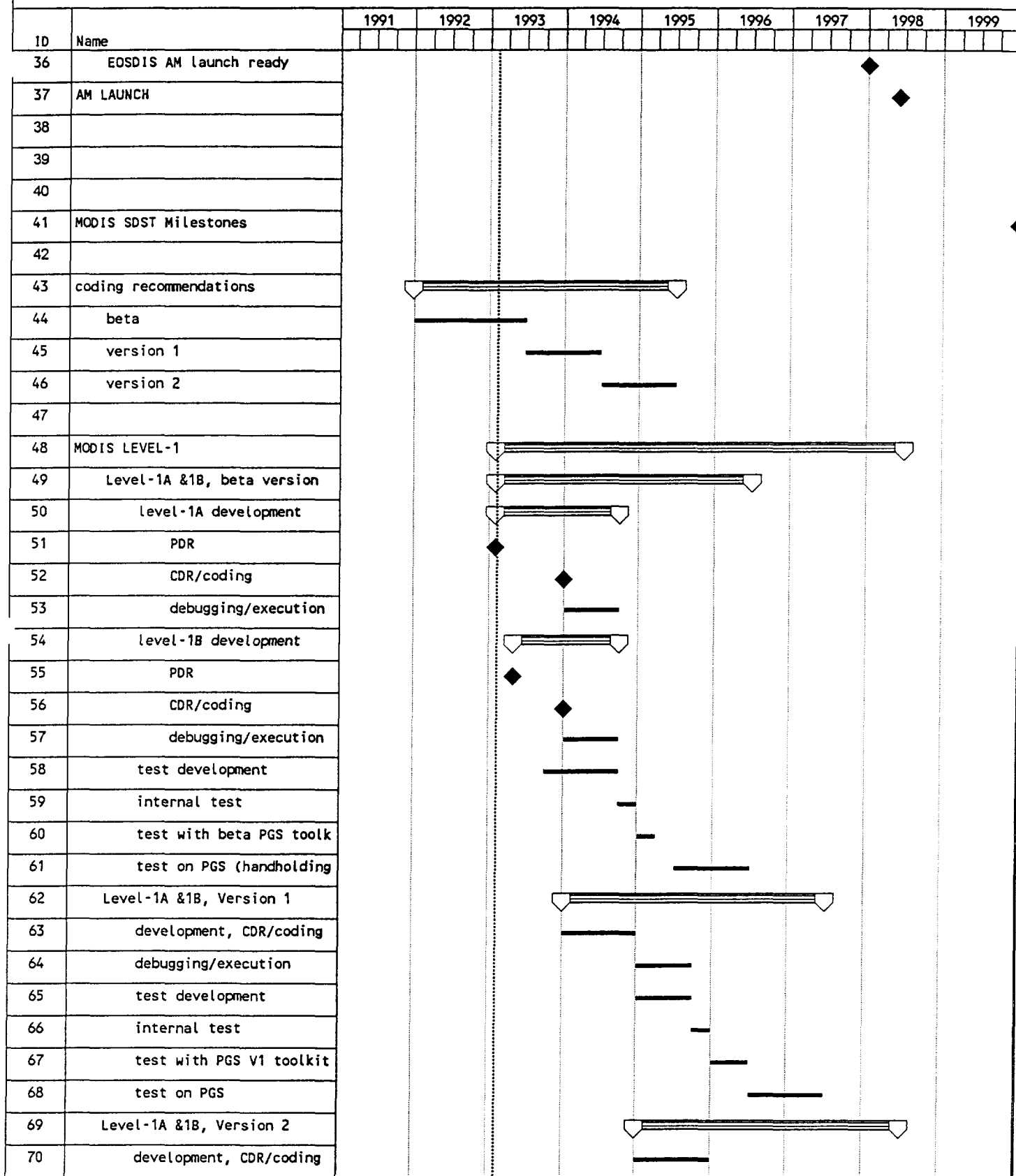
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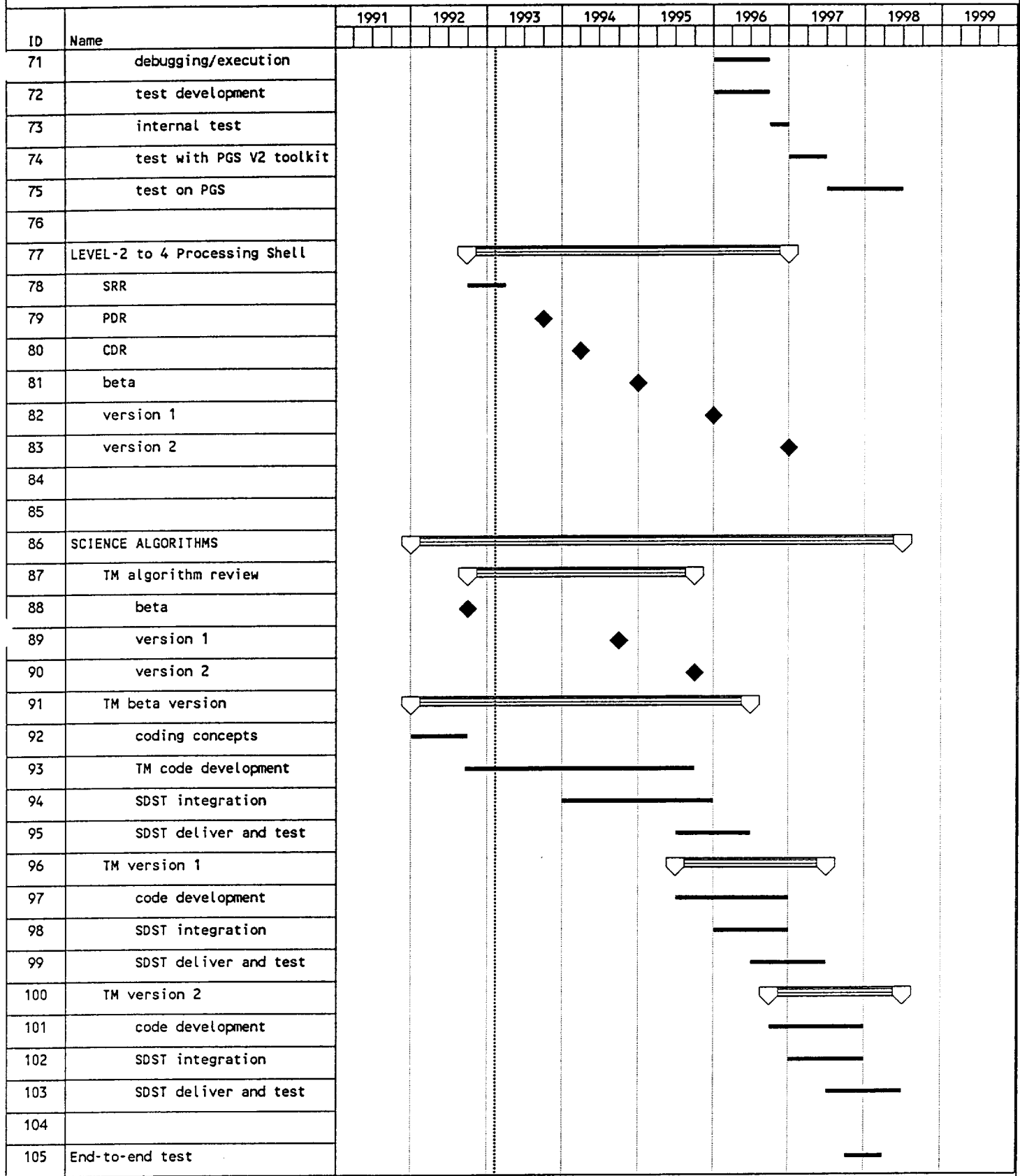
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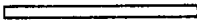
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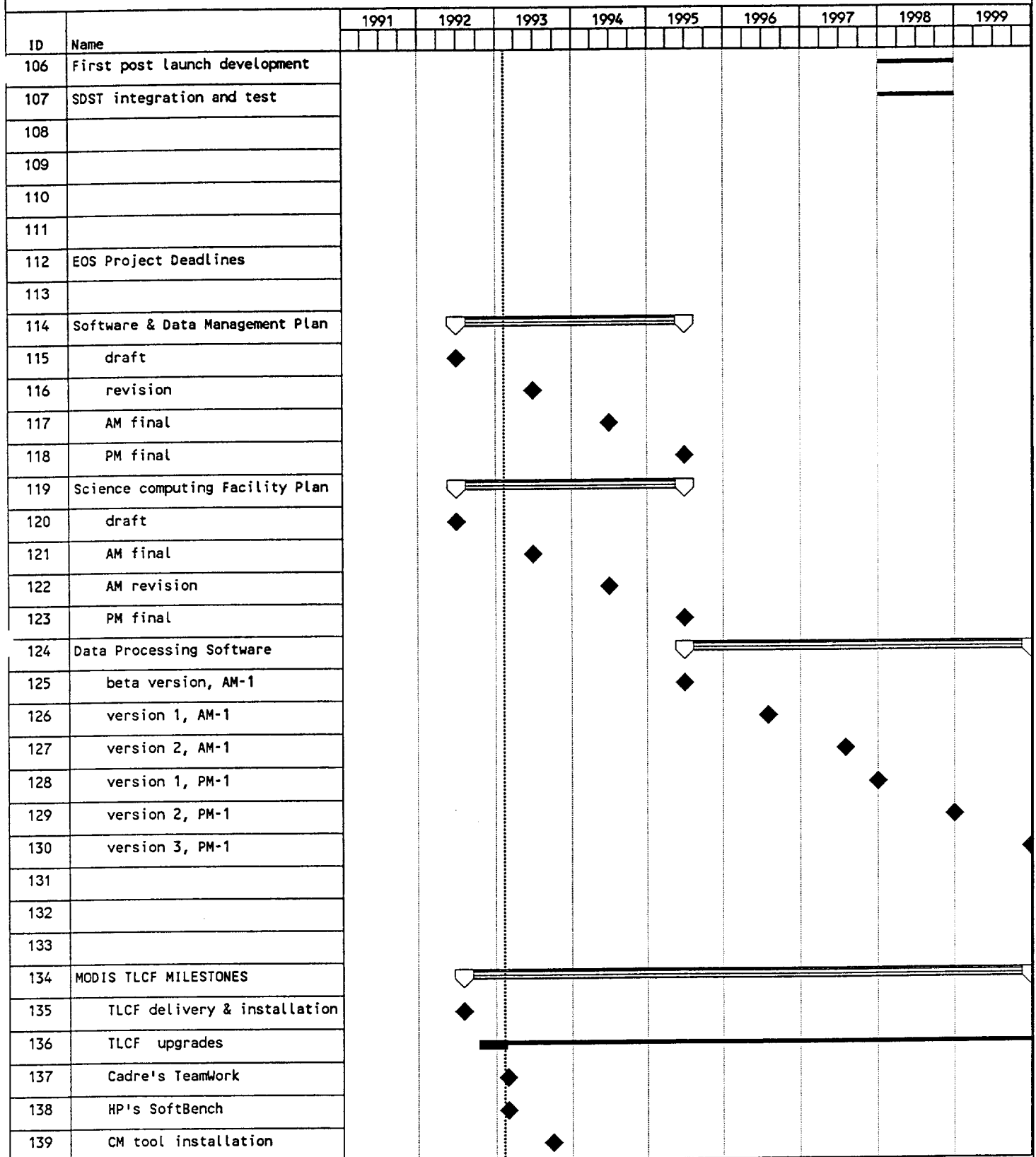
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